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SUBJECT: ROC ATTENDANCE AT NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE

1. ROC EMBASSY POLITICAL MINISTER COUNSELOR HENRY CHEN CALLED ON EA/ROC TO FORMALLY REQUEST U.S. SUPPORT FOR ROC ATTENDANCE AT NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE SCHEDULED MAY, 1975 AT GENEVA. READING FROM MEMO, CHEN GAVE THREE REASONS WHY SUCH SUPPORT SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING:

1) TREATY IS UNDER "ALL STATES FORMULA" AND NOT CONFINED TO U.N. MEMBERS. AS SIGNATORY, ROC HAS LEGAL RIGHT TO ATTEND,

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2) ROC HAS FAITHFULLY ADHERED TO PRINCIPLES OF TREATY.

BARRING IT FROM ATTENDANCE AT REVIEW CONFERENCE "WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO FORCING THE ROC OUT OF THE LEGAL REALM OF THE TREATY --- A SITUATION WHICH ROC WOULD NOT BE HAPPY TO SEE AND WHICH WOULD VIOLATE FUNDAMENTAL SPIRIT AND PRINCIPLE OF TREATY." (CHEN WAS UNABLE TO ELABORATE ON THIS POINT).

3) AT TIME OF NPT NEGOTIATIONS SOME ROC OFFICIALS HAD MISGIVINGS ABOUT TREATY. THESE WERE OVERCOME BY USG REQUEST FOR ADHERENCE AND SUPPORT. IN RESPONSE, ROC

SPOKE ON BEHALF OF TREATY IN U.N. AND WAS ONE OF FIRST TO SIGN. ROC NOW HOPED THAT USG WOULD RECIPROCATE BY SUPPORTING ROC ATTENDANCE AT GENEVA.

2. CHEN WAS INFORMED REQUEST WOULD BE TAKEN UNDER CONSIDERATION. HE ASKED FOR "UNOFFICIAL" EVALUATION OF ROC CHANCES FOR ATTENDANCE AND WAS TOLD WE THOUGHT THEY WERE DECIDEDLY UNFAVORABLE EVEN IN EVENT OF U.S. BACKING. INGERSOLL

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